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FOCUS AREA

Agency leadership has determined that this position meets Criteria 4: Assignment requires regular engagement with other uniformed services.

POSITION TITLE

Psychiatrist (O-6 Billet), Supervisory.

LOCATION DESCRIPTION

This position is located in the Mental Health Directorate, Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, where active duty and reserve members of the Armed Forces from local commands are brought for evaluation, treatment, and disposition of mental disorders. Clientele may additionally include dependents and retirees. The incumbent is responsible for psychiatric treatment for outpatient services. The majority of the populations served are young patients with significant risk factors, such as, impulsive behaviors that may be destructive to themselves and others, lack of support systems, high and unfamiliar stressors with poor coping skills. The program provides a multi-disciplinary therapeutic approach to include individual and group therapy, family and couples counseling and educational sessions.

This position will also be serving as interim Director of Mental Health and responsible to the Executive Officer and must be able to interact and collaborate directly with the personnel and staff within the directorate and with other healthcare professionals and administrative personnel.

The Clinical Supervisor/Division Officer Department Head is directly responsible to the Director of Mental Health Services and liaisons with his/her colleagues in the Mental Health Services Directorate. The incumbent should be a psychiatrist or clinical psychologist. This is a full time position and the incumbent is responsible for the clinical oversight of all credential providers assigned to the DMHD.

The service provided will be commensurate with the highest standards of quality patient care in accordance with the quality assurance standards of the Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, NC. This position requires that the incumbent adhere to maintaining confidentiality of patient records.

CLOSING DATE

Open until filled

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*** JOB DESCRIPTION***

Specific duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following:

Clinical: 75%

- a. For patient presenting to the MHC, conducts thorough mental status examinations; performs physical examinations; obtains medical, psychiatric, and social histories; orders appropriate laboratory and radiology studies; evaluates the history, presentation of current symptoms, laboratory and other findings to reach a differential diagnosis; obtains further history and orders further diagnostic studies as required to reach a final diagnosis; prescribes and/or performs appropriate treatment or refers the patient to appropriate specialty clinics. In addition to the general (not specifically psychiatric) medical treatment of patients, prescribes medications specific to psychiatry patients which include the full range of antianxiety, antidepressant, antimanic, antipsychotic, anticholinergic, hypnotics, stimulants and anticonvulsant medications, as well as controlled substances. Performs specialized psychiatric examinations, such disability evaluations, Manual for Courts Martial Rule 706 examinations for competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility, security clearance evaluations, appropriateness for specialized duty (for example: flight, undersea or isolated duty in places like Antarctica), and general fitness for duty evaluations.
- b. Numerous psychiatric illnesses have medical components, including metabolic and structural abnormalities of the central nervous system, endocrinologic diagnoses, and general systemic illnesses. Thus, the psychiatrist collaborates and consults with numerous other specialist and administrators in other areas of the directorate, hospital and civilian medical community.
- c. Document services provided in accordance with established procedures: for example narrative summaries, medical boards, fitness for duty evaluations, determination of competency or insanity and special evaluations for military members. The incumbent is responsible for the quality of care rendered and the documents prepared.
- d. Actively participates in the Divisions Quality Assessment and Improvement Program, including a peer review process.
- e. Stands psychiatry on-call watch, which includes night, weekends and holiday medical and psychiatric coverage for all psychiatric inpatients, and evaluations and appropriate psychiatric, medical and administrative disposition of patients refell'ed by the Emergency Department.
- f. May be asked to give medical lectures at the hospital, branch clinics, or local area commands. While Camp Lejeune is not routinely a teaching center for psychiatry, occasionally medical students rotate for elective experiences in military psychiatry. May be assigned as teacher/preceptor for those students.

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Administrative: 25%

a. Collaborates with other Directors and the Executive Chain of Command and/or managers within the Command to achieve interdepartmental cooperation and coordination of policies pertaining to related activities.

- b. Maintains good working relations and two-way communication within the Directorate and the Command to promote the flow of information and augment cooperation.
- c. Supervises department Heads to assure that the proposed plans, goals and objectives are effectively carried out.
- d. Leads in the formation of policies, procedures and standards of affecting the delivery of care.
- e. Ensures annual and interim personnel evaluations reflect position responsibilities and denotes areas for professional growth.
- f. Responsible for the coordination and overall preparation of and for the IG/HSO/The Joint Commission visits.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Degree in Medicine required

Board Certification in Psychiatry is required

Valid current unrestricted active state license from any state

Current Basic Life Support (BLS)

Drug test required.

SECRET Clearance or ability to obtain a SECRET Clearance

CONTACT INFORMATION

Interested USPHS Commissioned Corps officers should forward a cover letter highlighting relevant experience and education, curriculum vitae, and last three COERS via email to CDR Jena Vedder, Jennifer.a.vedder.mil@mail.mil